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Advertisement.

BEING strictly enjoined by my late Instructions to enforce the punctual Payment of his Majesty's Quitrents, it is expected, for the future, that every Sheriff should settle with the Auditor, and pay the Money into the Receiver's Office, on or before the Day appointed by Law; and all Sheriffs who are in Arrear to this Revenue, and fail to settle with the Auditor and pay the Money into the Receiver's Office by the 25th of April, cannot expect any farther Indulgence.

RICHARD CORBIN, D. R. G.

That NOTHING *is* SOMETHING; *contrary to the common Opinion, which maintains that Nothing is Nothing.*

IT has been, hitherto, universally believed that Nothing is Nothing; which, upon a cursory Reflection, may appear quite otherwise. There is Nothing in the World that makes a finer Figure than the Inhabitant. Nothing; it is every Where found, and yet resides no Where. The Citizen and Statesman, the Poet and Philosopher, and even the Divine, all make often a great Noise for Nothing.

I have read in the Histories of our Parliaments, Convocations, and a Diversity of other Meetings for deliberating on the most important and solemn Affairs, that, after spending much Time in sharp Contestations and Debates, Nothing in the End has been done or concluded. It is true they pretended to accomplish mighty Matters, by doing Justice to all Men, by fixing the publick Belief and Opinions in Regard to certain Things, and by discovering the Causes of Malversations and corrupt Morals; but all these Bravadoes terminated in Nothing.

I have seen a sage Philosopher keep Silence for a whole Evening, without assigning any other Reason than that he had Nothing to say.

Several of the wisest Men in the World, after long and diligent Researches for acquiring Knowledge, have been perfectly convinced that they knew Nothing. I have heard it said, that, under many of our Kings of England, there were Secretaries of State, and Lords of the Admiralty, that knew Nothing of the Business of their respective Departments; and I have been informed that some of our Kings have sent Messages to their Parliaments without knowing a Tittle of what was so sent; or, if they did, knew Nothing of the Matter.

I remember to have read, in some ancient Historian, that a brave old Lacedemonian General had been dismissed from his Employments for Nothing, and that another had been put in his Place who in himself was Nothing.

If Achilles, whom Agamennon disobliged, had not been prevailed upon to return to the Army, the great Advantages the Greeks had obtained, in a ten Years War with Troy, would have come to Nothing.

In the Reign of James I. the great Sir Walter Raleigh was arraigned, condemned, and at length executed, though scarce any Thing was alleged, and Nothing proved deserving of Death against him. In the same Reign also, and in those of some of his Successours, many eminent and eloquent Patriots were sent to the Tower for Nothing.

This Phantom of Nihility is not less in Use among us than it was in the Time of our Ancestors; it seems its Value increases in Proportion to its Antiquity. Do we not constantly see, by our weekly Lists of Bankrupts, that those who owe the largest Sums pay as little as they can to their Creditors, and sometimes Nothing, and that those who keep Possession of usurped Goods use their best Endeavours to restore Nothing.

Some of our supercilious Criticks are continually exclaiming against the new Books that appear, that they have Nothing in them, or Nothing new. The same Inanity they find in our Poets, especially the Retailers of dramatick Compositions. Their Imaginations, they say, have been bewildered in Fairy Lands, or bewitched by Magick; and, if so, they embrace a Cloud instead of Juno, and just as Children, Slaves, and Malefactors, when punished, they have done Nothing. Ah Nothing! that so significant Cipher, though at all Times generally esteemed, was never so illustrious as at present. And, indeed, we have often seen numerous Armies spend whole Campaigns in doing Nothing; Negotiations spun out to Nothing; Quarrels and Lawsuits engaged in for Nothing; Women married for Nothing; Divorces made for Nothing; Protestations of Friendship reduced to Nothing; Arguments concluding Nothing; Oaths required for Nothing; People amusing themselves in Nothing; and a Thousand other Nothings, of like Nature.

But, to give a Specimen of the Grandeur of Nothing, suppose I should conceive it in the Way of an Enigma, leaving the Care to another of putting it in Verse. "Gentle Reader, I am not yet born; but, if you had a-mind to know me, I am under you, I am over you, you can scarce imagine what I am. In the Purse I am a Devil; and, when I am, I am no more. I am the great Coffer of the World. My Nature was so fruitful that all was engendered by me. I am the inaccessible Immensity; I am the indivisible Point, and the Riches of a Beggar, as well as thine. What a Thief does on his Trial, what the Deluge respected, what serves to support the Skies, what a Bailiff's Fetter cannot be, what we do when we do Nothing, is, gentle Reader, my Name and Being."

The Explanation of this Enigma will show the Solution to be exceeding easy. "What is not could not be born. In vain, to know it, should we search above and below; it surpasses the Reach of our Imagination. Nothing in One's Purse is the Devil, and when Nothing is in it, it is good for Nothing. All is Nothing here below. The Nature of Nothing was very fruitful, as out of Nothing every Thing was created. It is the great inaccessible Space; it is the true indivisible Point; it is nearly my whole Wealth. A Thief protests before his Judge that he has done Nothing, and the Deluge formerly respected Nothing. Whoever mentions a Bailiff's Follower may think there is Nothing honourable in the Profession; and, notwithstanding Ovid's Fiction, that Atlas bears up the Heavens on his Shoulders, they are indeed supported by Nothing. The Fact is not problematical, and thus it seems demonstratively proved that Nothing is Something."

Some Tracts of the Advice to his Son *of* Nabi Effendi, *a famous Poet among the* Turks, *who flourished towards the End of the last Century.*

THE first Thing a Man ought to think of is Religion; it ought to be antecedent to the Care of his Fortune; it is not sufficient to be informed of the great Truths it contains; these Truths should be also practised.

Consecrate the Morning of your Reason to the Study of the Sciences; they are of infinite Resource in the Course of Life; they form the Heart, polish the Mind, and instruct Man in his Duties. By them Men attain to Honours and Dignities; they recreate and amuse us in Prosperity, and become our Consolation in Adversity. But in vain, without assiduous Application, will you be able to acquire the Sciences; they are the Daughters of Labour, and by Labour only you will obtain their Possession.

Endeavour to adorn your Mind with all Sorts of Knowledge; on a Multiplicity of Occasions in Life they become highly necessary. How immense is the Distance between the learned Man and the ignorant! The brightest Light, compared with the thickest Darkness, Life with Death, and Existence with Nothing, feebly express the Interval that separates the intelligent Man from him that is not. Ignorance is the poisoned Source whence flow all the Ills that afflict this World; blind Superstition, Irreligion, Barbarity, destructive of Arts, march along with it; and Shame, Contempt, and Meanness, bring up the Rear.

The Arabick Tongue, that Tongue so rich in Expression, and at the same Time so ancient that it appears to have begun with the World, that Tongue which Abraham and his Son Ishmael spoke, and which, from these Patriarchs down to us, has been preserved in all its Purity, ought to be the first Object of your Studies; but you must not consecrate the whole Time of your Youth to learn it. Languages are only, as it were, the Avenues that lead to the Temple where the Sciences have their Residence.

Make divine and human Laws Subjects of your Meditation. These Sciences once acquired, apply yourself to Logick and Physicks. Nurture your Mind particularly with the reading of the best Authors. Can a Bird, without Wings, dare to soar in the Region of the Air? The precious Shell Fish that contains the Pearl is not found on the Surface of the Water; it is at the Bottom of the Sea, and amidst a Thousand Dangers, that it must be fished for.

The false Splendour of Riches dazzles the Eyes of weak and avaricious Men; let it not dazzle your's. They incessantly sigh after the Things they have not, and their insatiable Heart is a Prey to a Thousand useless Desires. Let their Misfortunes warn to make you avoid them.

The Tranquillity and Happiness of Life consist in being satisfied with One's Condition. God, who placed you in it, is not ignorant of your Wants. Put your Confidence in his divine Providence, and he will prevent them. Why is Man so passionately fond of Gold and Silver? These Metals can neither allay his Hunger nor his Thirst; they cannot even replace the more ordinary Aliments. In vain shall the Husbandman hope to gather in an useful Harvest from a Field sown with Gold and Silver. These two Metals are not real Riches; at best, they are but the Signs.

Be reserved and circumspect in your Promises, but when once you have given your Word keep it religiously. Promises are Debts, to a Man of Honour, which he ought faithfully to acquit himself of.

Avoid Raillery; it often offends him who is the Object of it. He that indulges this Humour is the Scourge of Society, and all fear and avoid him. Sacrifice no Man to the Passion of expressing a witty Saying; like a sharp Arrow, it pierces the Heart of him against whom it is shot. Not that I would, as a rigid Censor, banish an innocent Pleasantry, a slight Trifling. Fine and delicate Raillery is the Soul of Conversation, and makes its best Seasoning; but how few know how to play it off, and not drive it too far!

Keep yourself quite clear from all Sorts of Detraction; it is base and mean to attack him who cannot defend himself, because he is absent. A Detractor is universally abhorred; known to be such, his Company is generally avoided, none thinking themselves secure from the Darts of his envenomed Tongue.

All Men are equal; Virtue only, and not Fortune, ought to place a Difference between them. Let no Man perceive the Superiority of your Rank. Be accessible and affable to every one; true Grandeur is humane. Affect not a disdainful Brow, nor an Eye bespeaking Pride and the Contempt of others. Let your Face, far from inspiring Terrour, show Serenity wherever it appears, and declare the Goodness of your Heart. Use no harsh Words to Dependents, nor require from them Services more than they can well perform. Retain no Hatred or Animosity against your Neighbour; to create to yourself Vexation, and to harbour Resentment, would be to renounce your own Tranquillity. The most noble Revenge you can take for an Injury is not to imitate him who has done it. Avoid particularly Anger, and its subsequent Disorders. Enter into the Troubles of your Friends, and endeavour to mitigate them by your generous Cares. Profuse when you oblige them, become very reserved when, in your Turn, you stand in Need of them, and strive never to be a Burthen to them; this is the only Way to preserve Friendship.

Dissimulation, when not carried to Excess, is sometimes allowable in the Commerce of Life, especially in Regard to the Wicked. We are not obliged to unveil our Soul in their perverse Eyes. Too much Sincerity, in treating with them, would hurt our Tranquillity, and trouble our Repose.

Go not, as a vile Parasite, to present yourself at a great Man's Table. Time, like a rapid River, rolls on with Impetuosity, without ever returning, and runs to sink in the Abyss of Ages. What Blindness, or rather what Madness, must there be in losing it by making our Court to Men who receive our Homage with an Air of Scorn!

The best Way of keeping a Secret would be to reveal it to no One. There are, however, Circumstances wherein One is glad to pour it into the Bosom of a Friend; but he should be well tried before-hand, to make sure of his Discretion. Fly those that love only Pleasure and Dissipation, and whose Mind is equally light and inconstant.

Too great Credulity, and extreme Diffidence, are two opposite Faults that ought to be avoided. We should neither believe blindly all that is said, nor doubt of all that is heard. The Lamp of Discernment ought to enlighten and show us where Truth is. Shut your Ear against Praises, most of them are dictated by base Flattery, or vile Interest. As to the Praises of the Wicked, we must never listen to them; they never offer Incense to you but to tarnish your Virtue, and make you criminal.

Never go any Where without being invited with a good Countenance; particularly, go only to the Houses where Honour abides. Let the Assemblies

you may frequent be Schools of Virtue, and not of Vice.

There is a juſt Middle between Silence and a too great Profuſion of Words. We fly the ſilent Man, and the great Speaker is reckoned the Tyrant of Converſation. Nature, which has given us but one Organ for Speech, has given us two for Hearing; in Order to teach us that we muſt hear more than ſpeak. Be conciſe in your Narratives; the true Way of pleaſing is to ſay a great Deal in a few Words, and to inſtruct by amuſing.

Speak to every One with a noble and becoming Sweetneſs, particularly never anſwer with Tartneſs. To upbraid others with their Faults is to act the Cenſor in Society; Men ſeldom pardon you for humbling them. Do not make too great a Show in Converſation of the Superiority of your Genius; it is a great Art to put others in a Way of making their Wit ſhine. Their Self-Love is flattered by it, and they are ſatisfied with us when they are ſo with themſelves. Be indulgent to thoſe that are leſs intelligent than yourſelf; God has not given to all Men the ſame Degree of Light.

Do not abandon yourſelf to the dark Windings of Deceit; it is the Portion of mean and daſtardly Souls. It would be much better to give into the other Extremity, and to paſs for a Simpleton. Deceit is a deſpicable Vice, and precipitates him into Misfortune who delivers himſelf up to it. We are inſpired with Deceit by the Devil, who makes us to go aſtray to be Partakers with him of his Infelicity. Lies dwell on the Lips of the deceitful Man, and his Mouth is not opened but to deceive. He every Where ſows Sedition, and kindles the Fire of Diſcord; but he is ſoon puniſhed for his malicious Doings. Become the Object of the publick Hatred and Contempt, not one of his Enterprizes is crowned with Succeſs; and, as he is every Man's Enemy, every Man ſtrives to thwart his Deſigns. His Days are poiſoned by Troubles, and he dies at laſt in Diſhonour. You are not ignorant of the Proverb that ſays, "That ſooner "or later, the Man of Deceit is taken in the Toils he "had ſtretched out for others." Deceit, Lies, and Calumny, are three Monſters that have eſcaped from Hell to ravage the Earth. The Good, the Life, the Honour of our Neighbour, are ſacred Depoſits confided to us by the Almighty. To dare touch them would be to commit a horrid Sacrilege.

LONDON, *January* 3.

IT is ſaid that a very elegant new State Coach is building for her Royal Highneſs the Dutcheſs of Cumberland, on which her Family Arms will be empaled with thoſe of England.

We are informed that Mungo has framed a Bill, to be preſented to Parliament, for the ſetting aſide the Offspring of the Dutcheſs of Cumberland.

Lord Chief Juſtice De Gray has had ſome Offers made him to reſign, which it is thought will be in Favour of Mr. Thurloe, who is to be ſucceeded by Mr. Wedderburne.

It is ſaid Lord Cathcart, our Ambaſſadour to the Court of Ruſſia, has deſired to be recalled. He is inconſoluble for the Loſs of his Lady. Sir George Macartney, we hear, will be appointed in his Lordſhip's Stead.

It was yeſterday reported that ſome of our Men of War on the African Station had deſtroyed ſeveral Works, which the French had erected on the Coaſt.

The Court of Naples have given Orders for ſix Men of War to be fitted out at Cagliari, one of their Sea Ports, to cruize againſt the piratical Corſairs, who have taken ſeveral Merchant Ships belonging to that Court.

They write from Gibraltar that a Boom and Chain is fixed acroſs the Harbours of Algiers, Tunis, Sallee, Tangiers, Tetuan, and Quarache, and no Ships are admitted into thoſe Ports without being firſt ſearched.

A ſerious Endeavour to reduce the Price of Proviſions is perhaps of all others an Object moſt worthy the Notice of a Britiſh Parliament.

It is ſaid all the old penal Laws, with Regard to Engroſſers and Foreſtallers, will be reviſed, corrected, and enforced, at the enſuing Seſſions of Parliament, by which the landed Intereſt will neither be hurt by the Opening of the Iriſh Markets, or the Poor ſtarved by avaricious Combinations.

As there is now a great Scarcity of Corn in Holland, the capital Engliſh Dealers in that Neceſſary of Life hope to make their Fortunes by ſtarving their poor Countrymen, for which Purpoſe they intend to petition againſt continuing the Act for prohibiting the Exportation of Corn.

On a moderate Calculation, founded on the laſt Intelligence from India, it appears that the Revenues will amount to conſiderably more than two Millions and a Half yearly.

One of the Artillerymen, quartered at Greenwich, by an ingenious Contrivance, plays all the Pſalm Tunes upon the Bells in that Church.

The King of Poland is ſo well recovered that he aſſiſted at Maſs, the 8th Ultimo, in the Chapel of the Court.

January 4. There was a Cabinet Council held yeſterday Morning before the Levee, at Lord Suffolk's Office, occaſioned by ſome Deſpatches received the Night before from the Hague.

His Grace the Duke of Grafton was yeſterday at the Levee at St. James's, after which he attended his Majeſty to the Queen's Palace, where they had a long Conference.

Doctor Jebb, in a Letter to a Friend of his in Town, ſays, that, at his Arrival, he found the Duke of Glouceſter much emaciated; that his Diſorder had a Tendency to a Dropſy, and that he had little Hopes of his ſurviving longer than a Couple of Months.

The Earl of A——le received a Letter from Mr. Adair, the Surgeon General (Doctor Jebb's Companion) on Monday laſt, which was dated from a Town on this Side the Alps, in which he declared they did not expect to reach Leghorn for eight Days, in Conſequence of the Ways being almoſt impaſſable; ſo that the Accounts of the Duke of Glouceſter's Relapſe are ſuppoſed to be premature.

No Letter relating to the above Report of the Duke's being worſe has been received by any of Mr. Adair's Friends.

We hear that his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland and his Lady were in Town laſt Night, and paid a private Viſit to the Princeſs of Brunſwick; after which they returned directly to Windſor.

We hear that the Terms offered the Dutcheſs of Cumberland to renounce her publick Title are, ten Thouſand Pounds in Money, and four Thouſand Pounds a Year Jointure; the laſt being the ſame Sum ſettled on the Counteſs of Waldegrave; both of which have been peremptorily refuſed.

A Memorial is ſaid to be preparing to ſend to Madrid, relative to the Releaſe of all the Britiſh Subjects now confined in any Part of the Spaniſh Dominions.

The Treaty lately negotiating between our Court and that of Peterſburg, after ſome few Alterations, is at laſt finally concluded.

The Earl of Harcourt is expected at Calais the 12th of this Month, at which Time the French Ambaſſadour will be at the ſame Place in his Way to London.

A Report prevails that the French have illegally detained Half a Million of Money, Britiſh Property, in the Eaſt Indies, which has been the Occaſion of ſeveral Councils held lately at St. James's, Downing Street, and Privy Garden.

This Morning an Expreſs was ſent off to Lord Rochford at his Seat in the Country.

A Correſpondent informs us that the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, on his Return to England, will be created an Earl, and have one of the vacant red Ribbons.

It is at laſt reſolved on that Lord Townſhend is ſtill to continue Viceroy of Ireland, as the ſending over another, at ſo critical a Time as this, may be productive of more Embarraſſment to Government, from his being unacquainted with all the Particulars that have lately been brought about in that Kingdom. Another ſtronger Reaſon for his Continuance in Office, is, that it being a fixed Point Sir G. M'Cartney ſhould be the chief Director of Affairs there, it makes it of leſs Conſequence who the nominal Viceroy is.

We are informed that Lord Lyttleton has had a conſiderable Poſt offered him in the Miniſtry, which his Lordſhip rejected.

They write from Vienna that the Emperour propoſes making the Tour of France, Holland, and England, early in April next.

Large Orders have been ſent to Paris for their richeſt Manufactures to be worn at Court on the approaching Birth-day. It is *true, and it is Pity it is true*, that the moſt lucrative Branch of Trade the Citizens of Paris carry on at preſent is with London.

For the Encouragement of the Britiſh Manufactories, all foreign wrought Silks and Velvets will, under ſevere Penalties, be ſhortly prohibited from being imported into Great Britain and her Dominions, except ſuch as are brought from the Eaſt Indies.

It is ſaid proper Plans are ſettled to ſupport the Freedom of the Preſs, (which includes in it every other) during the next Winter, againſt the Deſigns of Adminiſtration.

We hear that as ſoon as an auguſt Aſſembly meets the preſent frequent Practice of Houſe-breaking will be taken into Conſideration.

We are aſſured that a Number of very diligent Workmen are now employed to *Bute-fy* the Seats in St. Stephen's Chapel, againſt the Meeting of the Members who are to fill them.

It is remarked that this is the firſt Winter ſince the preſent Parliament began that the Earl of Bute has been known to remain in this Kingdom.

A Patent is ſolliciting to enable Mr. Calvert, natural Son and Heir by Will of the late Lord Baltimore, to aſſume the Title, with Perpetuity to his Heirs Male.

Yeſterday the Earl of Holderneſs, Governour to the Prince of Wales, the Biſhop of Oſnabrug, and Prince William Henry, gave a grand Entertainment at his Houſe in Hertford Street, to their Royal Highneſſes.

Yeſterday Evening Doctor Solander, and Mr. Bankes, had a very long Conference with the Earl of Sandwich and Lord North, at the Earl's Houſe in the Admiralty, relating to their intended Voyage.

A theatrical Academy is juſt eſtabliſhed at Paris, under Patronage of the French King. Preville, who is the Garrick of the French Theatre, is appointed to the Direction of it, with a very conſiderable Salary, and is to inſtruct ſuch Pupils as ſhall be emulous of acquiring theatrical Fame.

The King of Pruſſia has eſtabliſhed a Commiſſion for the Management of the Poſts of his Country by Sea and Land.

They write from the Hague that the States of Holland have prolonged their Weſt India Company's Charter for thirty Years.

They write from Paris that ſix of the preſent Farmers General are excluded, by Order of the Government, from the new Contract, their Luxury and vain Diſplay of their Riches having rendered them inſupportable.

Letters from all Parts of the Country inform us that the latter ſowing of the Wheat, through the Fineneſs of the Weather, turns out very promiſing.

There is now in a Gentleman's Garden, near Whitchurch, in Shropſhire, an American Aloe in full Bloom, which has fourteen Branches upon it, and is thirteen Feet high.

A few Days ago a Labourer, employed by Captain Innes, at North End, in Buckinghamſhire, digging a Ditch, found an Urn full of Roman Coins, of Trojan, Veſpaſian, Adrian, Antoninus, Aurelius, Fauſtina, Criſpina, &c. What is very remarkable, the Urn was not above a Foot under Ground; and although, in all Probability, it muſt have lain there many Centuries, moſt of the Coins are exceedingly well preſerved.

Extract of a Letter from the Hague, *January* 2.

"The Sieur Tunneſtrick, known for his wonderful Secret of healing, in an Inſtant, Animals dangerouſly wounded in the Head, has made an Experiment of it before the Stadholder, and ſeveral Perſons of Diſtinction, among whom was M. Gaubius, Profeſſor of Phyſick. The Experiment was made on a Horſe, whoſe Head had driven into it a large Nail with a Hammer, which was afterwards drawn out with Pincers, and by Means of a ſpirituous Liquor, of his own Compoſition, which he injected through the Aperture made with the Nail, the Animal, who before ſeemed ready to expire, in ſix Minutes was radically cured, and a Cicatrix is not even to be ſeen on the Part."

This being Twelfth Day, on Account of its being no Levee or Court Day, the ſame will not be obſerved at Court; but the Lord Chamberlain will make the uſual Offering at the Chapel Royal, by Order of his Majeſty.

Extract of a Letter from Paris, *December* 23.

"On Friday a very extraordinary Accident happened at the Duke de la Valliere's. The Marquis de Sorba, Miniſter from the Republick of Genoa, was at Dinner with him, when one of the Company at Table told the Duke that he did not like his Wine, which had a particular Taſte, and whilſt the Duke was anſwering him, the Marquis de Sorba fell down dead, without uttering a Word."

Laſt Week Orders were ſent down to the Powder Mills at Feverſham, to furniſh the Arſenal at Sheerneſs with five Hundred Barrels of Gunpowder for the Accommodation of Ships in the River Medway.

They write from Vienna that the Emperour has lately aboliſhed, in the Mantua of Milan, a Number of Taxes amounting in the Whole to upwards of three Hundred Thouſand Florins per Annum.

We are told that freſh Propoſals have been made to the Dutcheſs of Cumberland within this Week paſt, which, if not complied with, her Spouſe will, it is ſaid, be obliged to take the Command of a Squadron in the Aſiatick Seas, or relinquiſh his Pretenſions to being Lord High Admiral of Great Britain. This is the fixed Reſolution of the Junto of Buckingham Houſe.

The Party now forming is ſaid to have Lord Rochford for their Leader, and ſome among them are for making an Alteration in the higheſt Department of the Law, though not with the Approbation of Lord Rochford, who has a great Opinion of the preſent Lord Chancellor's Abilities. The Earl of Northington, we are told, has not been conſulted in Relation to any Changes that are to be made in Adminiſtration.

This Morning, about Half an Hour after nine o'Clock, the Inhabitants of London and Weſtminſter were alarmed by ſome Shocks, as of an Earthquake, which three Times, in the Courſe of a Minute, ſhook the Windows and Furniture in the Houſes, and greatly terrified ſome of the Inhabitants. On comparing the different Accounts it appears to have been chiefly felt at the weſt End of the Town, and near the Thames, at Chelſea, and towards the Fields: In Blackfriars it was felt greatly. Some took it only for the Firing of Cannon, or ſome ſuch Thing. About Noon Information was ſaid to be brought from Hounſlow of three Powder Mills being blown up in that Neighbourhood. There are many, however, ſtill of Opinion that it muſt have been an Earthquake, as there never was an Inſtance known of three Mills blowing up ſo regularly in Succeſſion after each other.

In a large upper Room, in St. John's Square, ſeveral Perſons preſent, who were quite ſtill, heard four different and diſtinct Exploſions; the two firſt cloſe together, ſounding nearly like that of Cannon at a Diſtance, and attended with a little ruſhing Noiſe. The Windows in this Room were not ſhook, but a ſlight Shock was felt at the Bottom Part of the Houſe at the ſame Time.

There are Letters in Town from Stromneſs, in Orkney, informing, that from ſeveral Cheſts, Gordage, long Rafts, and Deals, thrown on Shore, there is Reaſon to believe that ſeveral Veſſels have been ſhipwrecked lately in thoſe Seas.

Mr. Moore's new Carriage is intended for a Country Stage, or travelling Carriage, for a Gentleman and his Family, and conſiſts of two Carriages on four Wheels; the firſt is a long Coach that holds nine Perſons, with a Place for the Coachman, and hangs upon the two fore Wheels; the other is the Body of Mr. Moore's one Horſe Coach, which holds ſix Perſons, and hangs upon the hind Wheels, with a Lug-

gage Box and a Place for Servants, &c. The Whole contains fifteen Perſons under Cover, and is drawn by two Horſes.

The Princeſs Dowager, we hear, intends accompanying her Daughter, the Princeſs of Brunſwick, on her Return to the Continent, and that ſhe will be abſent from this Country a Twelvemonth.

The Defection of the Duke of Cumberland, owing to the ill Treatment he has met with from Court, will give Riſe to a new Oppoſition, which, though not concurring in the Principles of the firſt, will join them in every Meaſure that tends to obſtruct what is called *the King's Buſineſs*.

Yeſterday Morning there was a Meeting of ſeveral reſpectable Perſons in the Minority at the Houſe of a patriotick Nobleman in Pallmall.

Some Expreſſes have lately arrived over Land from Gibraltar, which bring an Account that the Spaniards, ſo far from refuſing to ſupply the Garriſon with Proviſions, behave in the moſt amicable Manner with the Engliſh.

They write from Gibraltar that a Portugueſe Veſſel, of five Hundred and fifty Tuns Burthen, from Turky, had been taken by three Algerine Zebecks, and carried into Algiers. The Cargo is ſaid to be valued at three Hundred Thouſand Pounds Sterling.

His Majeſty has given Orders for the Soldiers on Duty in the Park to be relieved an Hour ſooner than uſual, during the froſty Weather; and the Night Guards are to be furniſhed with thick Fur Gloves, the ſame as their Caps.

His Majeſty has given two Hundred Pounds, out of his privy Purſe, to be diſtributed among the Workmen, and other Sufferers by the blowing up of the Powder Mills.

Robert Gunning, Eſquire, his Majeſty's Ambaſſadour at the Court of Berlin, is appointed to ſucceed Lord Cathcart, in that Station, at Peterſburg.

Tueſday ſome particular Inſtructions were ſent to his Excellency Lord Cathcart, his Majeſty's Ambaſſadour at the Court of Peterſburg, which paſſed the Great Seal on Monday Evening; and we hear his Lordſhip will, at the ſame Time, receive his Letters of Recall.

Yeſterday the Right Honourable the Earl of Harcourt took Leave of his Majeſty, and on Sunday next he will ſet out on his Embaſſy to the Court of France.

Letters from Spain mention, that, by an Order of that Court, no Foreigners, of any Nation or Religion whatever, are to be employed, for the Future, on Board their Ships which go to the Spaniſh America.

They write from Breſt that an Expreſs had juſt arrived from Court with Orders to equip nine Sail of the Line and four Frigates with all Expedition; but the Object thereof is kept a profound Secret.

Very warm Conteſts are expected to take Place at the enſuing Meeting of Parliament, it being an undoubted Fact that ſome of the ableſt, as well as the moſt ſtrenuous Patriots, have been imported from a Siſter Kingdom, for the Purpoſe of puſhing a Queſtion or two on this Side the Water.

It is aſſerted that a popular Bill, which has been hitherto unſucceſsfully agitated, will be paſſed early the approaching Seſſions, for the Purpoſe of conciliating the Affections of the People.

At the laſt Board of Admiralty the Stationing of the ſeveral Men of War fitting out for Sea in the different Dockyards was fixed, and Inſtructions were ſent to the Commiſſioners for carrying the ſame into Execution.

Extract of a Letter from the Hague, *December* 17.

"The laſt Letters from Vienna adviſe that the great Advantages gained by the Ruſſians over the Turks have made ſuch an Impreſſion upon the Empreſs Queen, and her Miniſtry, that there is Reaſon to hope her Imperial Majeſty will be more inclined than heretofore to liſten to the Terms propoſed for bringing about a Peace between the Ruſſians and the Turks."

Mr. Adair and Doctor Jebb arrived at Piſa on the 10th of December; their Advice was that the Duke of Glouceſter ſhould continue in that Place ſome Time longer. His Royal Highneſs was at a maſked Ball, in that City, on the 13th of the ſame Month.

On Friday laſt her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs Dowager of Wales was ſo much recovered from her late Illneſs, that, accompanied by her Serene Highneſs the Princeſs of Brunſwick, ſhe viewed the new Pantheon in Oxford Street, when both of them expreſſed the warmeſt Approbation of the Splendour, Taſte, and Magnificence of that Building.

January 15. Lord North has appointed Mr. Macleane, late under Secretary of State, and Member for Arundel, to the Collectorſhip of Philadelphia, void by the Death of Groſvenor Bedford, Eſquire.

We hear that the celebrated Doctor Dodd, whoſe Pretenſions to a Mitre have been ſo long overlooked, in this degenerate Age, in Point of Taſte as well as Politicks, is likely to be obliged at laſt to croſs the Atlantick, for the Reward of his Labours; this learned and able Divine being the firſt, and, we hear, the only Perſon under Contemplation at preſent for the new See of America.

It was reſolved, a few Days ſince, that five Sail of Men of War ſhould be fitted out immediately at Portſmouth and Plymouth, and ordered to cruiſe ſix Months in the Mediterranean.

Letters from Paris, dated December the 27th, ſay: "They write from St. Domingo that on the 3d of October laſt ſome violent Shocks of an Earthquake were felt at the Cape, which threw down the Church newly built, and ſeveral Houſes."

Yeſterday there was a Council held at the Queen's Palace, at which Lord North, the Secretaries of State, Earl Gower, &c. were preſent; his Excellency the Spaniſh Ambaſſadour attended the whole Time, and, after it broke up, had a long Conference with the Earl of Rochford and Lord North.

ANNAPOLIS, *March* 26.

ON the 8th Inſtant, in Latitude 34: 30, Longitude 64, weſt from London, Captain Chryſtie ſpoke the Schooner Charming Nancy, John Baker Maſter, from Teneriffe, bound to Portſmouth in Virginia. He had then been out twelve Weeks, had met with very bad Weather, which had much damaged his Rigging and tore his Sails to Pieces, and was alſo in the utmoſt Diſtreſs for Want of Proviſions. Captain Chryſtie readily ſpared him ſome Cordage, Twine, and Needles, as alſo Proviſions ſufficient for three Weeks. Captain Baker providentially met with the above Aſſiſtance juſt as a Negro Boy was going to be ſacrificed, in Order to appeaſe the Calls of Nature, as the Crew had been ſome Time in extreme Want. The Schooner bore away for Bermudas, in Order to repair her Damage.

WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 9.

WE are informed that the noted JOHN EYRE, Eſquire, who though a Man of Fortune was lately tranſported into this Country for ſtealing Paper, died about three Days after his Arrival; and that five and twenty Hundred Pounds in Bank Notes, and fifty Guineas, were found in his Poſſeſſion. From ſome Letters found about him, he appears to have been one of the greateſt Miſcreants that ever exiſted; he had loſt a Leg, and was of a moſt rueful Figure, an Index, as it would ſeem, of the Depravity of his Heart.

The County of Botetourt has been divided this Aſſembly, and we are informed that the new County is to be called Fincaſtle. The County of Frederick has likewiſe had two new Counties taken from it, one of which is named Berkeley, the other Dunmore.

On TUESDAY next, being the 14th Inſtant,

A NEW COMEDY, CALLED

FALSE DELICACY,

By the Author of A WORD TO THE WISE.

☞ *It may not be improper to give Notice that the Theatre in Williamſburg will be cloſed at the End of the April Court, the American Company's Engagements calling them to the Northward, from whence, it is probable, they will not return for ſeveral Years.*

Advertiſements.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, *April* 1, 1772.

THE ſeveral County Court Clerks are deſired to take Notice that it is a ſtanding Regulation, at the Council Board, not to grant any new Commiſſion of the Peace upon the Recommendation of any Court, unleſs the Clerk certify therewith what Juſtices were preſent when ſuch Recommendation was made, and alſo ſend a Liſt of all the Magiſtrates named in the Commiſſion, diſtinguiſhing ſuch as are acting Juſtices from ſuch as have refuſed to qualify, or do not act. For Defects of this Kind ſome late Recommendations have been rejected, and the above Regulation will, in future, be ſtrictly enforced.

JOHN BLAIR, Clerk to the Council.

SHOOTER's HILL, *April* 6, 1772.

I OBSERVE that Mr. *William Cowne*, of *King William*, has advertiſed, in Mr. *Rind*'s Gazette, ſixteen Hundred Acres of Land, in *New Kent* County, for Sale, which he undertakes to make a Title to, as an Executor to Captain *William Langborn*, Part of the Land being mortgaged by my Father, Mr. *John Smith*, to the ſaid Executor; but, from his Deſcription, and the Quantity, I find he has undertaken to include about ſix Hundred Acres which I heir from my Mother, and therefore think it neceſſary to inform the Publick that no Conveyance of his will make a proper Title.

AUGUSTINE SMITH.

TWO Bales of *German* OSNABRUGS, and two Bales of *German* ROLLS, damaged in the *Matty*, Captain *Fox*, will be ſold, for the Benefit of the Enſurers, at *Warwick*, on *Saturday* the 25th Inſtant *(April)* Six Months Credit will be given.

JOHN LEITCH.

THE Remainder of Mr. *Harry Beverley*'s LAND, in the County of *Orange*, will be ſold, at the Courthouſe of the ſaid County, on *Thurſday* the 23d Inſtant *(April)* being Court Day.

MECKLENBURG, *April* 1, 1772.

ARCHIBALD M'NABB intends for *Great Britain* ſoon.

MECKLENBURG, *April* 1, 1772.

JOHN DENNIS, Junior, intends for *Britain* ſoon.

To be SOLD *to the higheſt Bidder, before Mr.* Riddlehurſt's *Door, in* HAMPTON, *on* Thurſday *the* 23*d Inſtant* (April) *being* Elizabeth City *Court Day*,

A LARGE DWELLINGHOUSE, with four Rooms on a Floor, and a fine Brick Cellar, together with a LOT of GROUND, ſituated on the main Street, in the ſaid Town. The Terms of Payment will be made known at the Time of Sale.

2 HENRY BATTS.

To be SOLD, *at* PASQUOTANK *Courthouſe* (North Carolina) *on the* 10*th of* June *next, to the higheſt Bidder, at publick Vendue, the following Tracts of* LAND:

BETWEEN three and four Hundred Acres on the north Side of *Peſquotank* River, about three Miles below the Courthouſe, with three ſmall Houſes thereon; it is exceeding well timbered, chiefly high Land, Part of which is cleared, an agreeable Situation, and commands an extenſive Proſpect.

About two Hundred Acres on *Aranewa* Creek, a little above the other Tract, with a large two Story Brick Houſe on it; near ſixty Acres of it is cleared Land, the reſt is well timbered, and the Whole is on navigable Water for ſmall Craft. There is a very fine Apple Orchard, and other Improvements upon this Tract.

About five Hundred Acres on *Paſquotank* River, a little below the River Bridge, four Hundred and fifty Acres of which is rich Cypreſs and Juniper Swamp; the reſt is high Land, well cleared, and under a good Fence, with ſeveral Improvements, particularly a good Cart Road from the Water Side a conſiderable Way up the Swamp; the Whole of it lies on ten to twelve Feet Water clear to the Bank.

The Purchaſers are to give Bond, with approved Security, payable in twelve Months from the Day of Sale. The Premiſes may be entered on immediately, and the Subſcriber, who lives on *Aranewa* Creek, will ſhow the ſame to any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe.

MATTHIAS ELLEGOOD.

WILLIAM HOLLIDAY, and Co.

COACHMAKERS,

From LONG-ACRE, LONDON,

BEG Leave to inform the Publick that they have opened a Shop, in the Street leading to the Capitol Landing, next Door to Mr. *Shepherd*'s, Harneſs Maker, where thoſe Gentlemen who chooſe to favour them with their Cuſtom may be ſupplied with PHÆTONS, DOUBLE and SINGLE CHAIRS, made in the neateſt and genteeleſt Manner, and at the moſt reaſonable Rates; alſo Carriages neatly repaired, with the utmoſt Expedition. They will undertake all Kinds of JOINERS and CARPENTERS WORK, and HOUSE PAINTING in general.

WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 9, 1772.

THIRTY SHILLINGS REWARD.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, in *Petſworth* Parish, *Glouceſter* County, on the 6th Inſtant *(April)* a Convict Servant named THOMAS WARTON, born at *Hackney*, near *London*, eighteen Years of Age, about five Feet five or ſix Inches high, of a fair Complexion, a little pitted with the Smallpox, and has ſhort dark brown Hair. He had on, when he went away, a Check Shirt, black Cloth Breeches, a black Cloth Waiſtcoat with Shalloon Sleeves, dark Worſted Stockings, and old Shoes, but had neither Buckles nor Hat. It is likely he may change both his Name and Clothes, and endeavour to paſs for a Freeman. He was purchaſed on Board the *Juſtitia*, near *Leeds* Town, *Rappahannock* River, on the 25th of *February* laſt. FIFTEEN SHILLINGS of the above Reward will be paid to any Perſon who will ſecure the above Servant in *Glouceſter* County, and THIRTY SHILLINGS if ſecured elſewhere, provided proper Information be given to me, ſo that I may get him again.

A. HAMILTON.

N. B. Maſters of Veſſels, *&c.* are forewarned not to harbour or carry him out of the Colony, at their Peril.

RUN away from the Ship *Juſtitia*, at *Leeds* Town, JOSEPH LOVEDAY, a Convict, about twenty three Years of Age, with red Hair, and lame of one Leg; he had on, when he went away, a white Flannel Waiſtcoat, and a Pair of black Stocking Breeches. Whoever delivers him on Board the *Juſtitia*, at *Leeds*, or to Mr. *Thomas Lawſon*, at *Neabſco* Furnace, ſhall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward, and if he is taken at more than ten Miles Diſtance from either Place all reaſonable Charges ſhall be allowed.

2 THOMAS HODGE.

WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 9, 1772.

STOLEN out of my Stable, on *Friday* the 3d Inſtant *(April)* a light gray MARE, fourteen Hands high, remarkably gaunt and long, but I believe is neither dockt nor branded. Whoever brings her to me ſhall have TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward, and FIVE POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief.

JOHN TYLER.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from the Subſcriber, about the firſt of *November* laſt, a large dark bay HORSE, with a Star in his Forehead, two white hind Feet, and a ſmall black Spot about the Middle of his Neck, on the near Side. Whoever brings him to me, at *Frederickſburg*, ſhall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward.

ALEXANDER BLAIR.

TAKEN up, in *Orange*, a dark bay HORSE with ſome White in his Forehead, is Hip-ſhot, has a Bob Tail, branded on the near Buttock D, and had on a pretty good Bell. Poſted, and appraiſed to thirty five Shillings.

CHARLES SMITH.

TAKEN up, in *Orange*, a bay HORSE about four Feet ſeven or eight Inches high, between ſeven and eight Years old, and branded on the near Shoulder V. Poſted, and appraiſed to ten Pounds.

JOHN HARVEY.

TAKEN up, in *Orange*, a forrel HORSE about four Feet five or ſix Inches high, with a Blaze Face, branded on the near Buttock H, and Something reſembling the Bottom of a Stirrup Iron; he had a Bell faſtened on with a large Leather Collar and Buckle. Poſted, and appraiſed to ſix Pounds.

ANTHONY FOSTER.

NORFOLK, *March* 27, 1772.

THE Subſcriber, Executrix to the Eſtate of her late Huſband, *Matthew Rothery*, deceaſed, hereby requeſts all thoſe who have any Demands againſt the Deceaſed to bring in their Accounts, properly atteſted; and thoſe who are indebted to the ſaid Eſtate, or to *Rothery* and *Mylne*, are earneſtly entreated to an immediate Compliance of their Contracts, and Payment of their reſpective Dues, at the *April* General Court. There will be ſold, at Vendue, on *Tueſday* the 12th of *May*, for ready Money, the Ship MOLLY, with all her Materials, conſiſting of Sails, Rigging, Anchors, Cables, *&c.* belonging to the ſaid Eſtate; alſo a Hundred Pound Share in the *Town Point* Company Wharf. There will alſo be ſold, a few Months hence, two Thouſand three Hundred and fifty Acres of LAND, lying up the *Southern Branch*, Part of which has a Quantity of choice Timber on it, with a Griſt Mill, now in Repair, which rents for ſixty Pounds a Year, and a convenient Place to erect a Saw Mill. A large Flat can come within a few Yards of the Mill. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe may know the Terms by applying to the Subſcriber, who has for Sale, or to hire, ſeveral valuable SLAVES, among whom are two that have been uſed to work in a Blackſmith's Shop.

Tf MARY ROTHERY, Executrix.

EREDERICKSBURG, *March* 25, 1772.

I INTEND to leave the Colony ſoon after the *April* General Court, and requeſt all Perſons indebted to *Hepburn* and *Blair* will come and ſettle their Accounts. It is expected that thoſe who are not conſtant Cuſtomers to the Store, and whoſe Accounts have been ſtanding upwards of twelve Months, will make immediate Payment, and prevent Suits, which, in Caſe of Failure, will be commenced againſt them without Reſpect to Perſons. Payments will be made to thoſe who have Balances in their Favour. The Buſineſs, in my Abſence, will be carried on, to its uſual Extent, by my Partner, Mr. *David Blair*.

ISAAC HESLOP.

THE Ship INDUSTRY, now lying at *City Point*, bound for *London*, will take Tobacco on Liberty of Conſignment. She is a fine Ship, and has good Accommodations for Paſſengers. Orders will be received by Meſſ. *Eilbeck, Roſs*, and Company, at *Norfolk*, *Peterſburg*, and *Richmond*, or by the Subſcriber on Board, who will alſo attend the neighbouring County Courts. As near Half the Cargo is engaged, ſhe will ſoon be loaded. 6 JAMES LOWES.

THE Subſcribers having proved the Will of Mr. *Philip Whitehead Claiborne*, deceaſed, requeſt all thoſe who are indebted to his Eſtate to pay their reſpective Balances to Mr. *George Brooke* immediately, and thoſe who have Demands are deſired to make them known to us, that we may provide to diſcharge them. We have for Sale the Remainder of the ſaid *Claiborne*'s STORE GOODS, amounting to ſix Hundred Pounds Sterling, chiefly imported laſt Fall; and the Store, Dwellinghouſe, and Ferry, at *Williams*'s Warehouſe, are to be rented. The Terms may be known by applying to

CARTER BRAXTON,
PETER LYONS,
GEORGE BROOKE, } Executors.

N. B. Mr. *James Turner* will attend at the Store, in Order to ſettle with the Cuſtomers.

GEORGE III. by the Grace of GOD of *Great Britain, France*, and *Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, *&c.* to the Sheriff of *Surry* County, greeting: We command you that you ſummon *Theophilus Shannon*, and *Anne* his Wife, to appear before our Juſtices of our Court of our ſaid County, in Chancery, at the Courthouſe, on the third *Tueſday* in *April* next, to anſwer a Bill in Chancery exhibited againſt *Hamilton Uſher St. George*, and *Mary* his Wife, and the ſaid *Theophilus Shannon*, and *Anne* his Wife, and *Joſiah Holt*, by *William Clayton*, his Guardian, by *William Spratley*, and *William Clayton*. And this they ſhall in no Wiſe omit, under the Penalty of one Hundred Pounds each. Witneſs *William Nelſon*, Clerk of our ſaid Court, at the ſaid Courthouſe, the 24th Day of *March*, 1772, in the twelfth Year of our Reign.

WILLIAM NELSON.

POETS CORNER.

ODE, *in Imitation of* HORACE.

THE Snows are gone, the Graſs regains
Its former Verdure o'er the Plains;
The Trees reſume their Foliage green,
And Nature yields a varied Scene;
Along their Banks the Rivers glide,
The Streams that overflow'd ſubſide;
The Nymphs and Swains their Choirs lead,
And dance along the graſſy Mead;
The fleeting Hours, that drive on Day,
Tea Months and Years, conjunctly ſay,
That Nought's immortal here below,
And every Day hath prov'd it ſo.
The Zephyrs warm the Cold aſſuage;
The Spring is loſt in Summer's Rage;
The Apple-bearing Autumn pours
Due Seed and Fruit on Trees and Flowers;
Till dreary Winter comes on faſt,
And ends the ruling Year the laſt.
Yet the ſwift Moons their Loſs repair,
And follow on their monthly Care.
When with our Fathers we are laid,
And are become both Duſt and Shade,
Who knows the Will of Heaven above,
Or what Deſigns Almighty Jove,
Whether his Bleſſings he beſtow
On us, poor Mortals, here below,
Or this Day take our fleeting Breath,
And wrap us in the Arms of Death!
Be what it will, I only pray,
Embrace the preſent while you may,
Since Months and Years roll ſwift away.

TWO DITCHERS will meet with Encouragement by applying immediataly to the Subſcriber, who lives in *Blandford*.
ROBERT BOYD.

HALLSFIELD (PRINCE GEORGE) *March* 20, 1772.

THE high blooded bay Horſe MERRY TOM, in great Perfection, ſtands at my Houſe to cover Mares at fifteen Shillings a Leap, forty Shillings the Seaſon, or three Pounds ten Shillings to inſure the Mare with Foal. His Colts are ſtrong, beautiful, and active. I have Paſturage for Mares gratis, but will not be anſwerable ſhould they be ſtole, or get away, though great Care ſhall be taken to prevent it. Nothing of that Kind has hitherto happened.
4 JOHN BAIRD.

To be SOLD, *on* Thurſday *the* 23*d of* April, *at the late Manſion Houſe of Captain* Henry Harriſon, *deceaſed, in* Suſſex *County*,

ALL the perſonal Eſtate of the ſaid Deceaſed, conſiſting of ſome very elegant Houſehold and Kitchen Furniture, and a Quantity of Negroes; alſo Stocks of every Kind, among which are ſome blooded Colts, and the noted Horſe *Silver Heels*. Credit will be allowed till the 25th of *October* next, Bond and Security being given, to carry Intereſt from the Date if not paid when due. All Perſons that are indebted to the ſaid Eſtate are requeſted to make ſpeedy Payment, and all thoſe who have any Demands againſt the ſame are deſired to let them be known, for which Purpoſe I ſhall attend at the above Place two or three Days before the Sale.
NATHANIEL HARRISON, Adminiſtrator.

To be SOLD, *on the third* Monday *in* April, *being York Court Day, to the higheſt Bidder, before Mrs. Mitchell's Door, in York Town*,

A HUNDRED and ninety eight Acres of LAND, on the Head of *Back River*, in *Charles* Parish, *York* County, whereon is a Dwelling-houſe and ſeveral Outhouſes, a very large Apple and Peach Orchard, and a very good Fish Mill. Ready Money is to be paid for a Third of the Purchaſe, and twelve Months Credit will be allowed for the Remainder, on giving Bond and Security.
WILLIAM WISE.

To be SOLD, *at Vendue, on* Monday *the* 13*th of* April, *at* Goſport, *if fair, otherwiſe next fair Day, for ready Money*,

THE Sails, Rigging, Anchors, Cables, Boats, and other Furniture (which are all extraordinary good) ſaved from the Ship *Margaret*, which was caſt away to the ſouthward of Cape *Henry*, then commanded by *Robert Ayres*.
2 ANDREW SPROWLE.
N. B. They are to be ſold for the Benefit of the Owners, or Enſurers.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, in *Northampton*, *North Carolina*, a likely *Virginia* born Negro named KIT, a ſtout well ſet Fellow, about twenty two Years old, his fore Teeth are somewhat decayed, the Small of one of his Legs is much ſcarred, owing to a Horſe having fallen into it, and has occaſioned one of his Feet to be ſhorter than the other. He has been run away ever ſince *April* or *May* laſt, and is ſuppoſed to be now in *Virginia*, and on or near *Rappahannock* River, in Company with a Brother of his, named TOM, who belongs to Mr. *John Gee*, of the County of *Prince George*, and is a very likely well ſet Fellow. They are both great Villains, have committed many Outrages, and are both outlawed. Whoever apprehends the ſaid Slaves, or either of them, ſhall, on their Delivery to Mr. *John Gee*, in the County of *Prince George*, or on their being ſecured in any Jail (ſo that I may get them) and publiſhed in the *Virginia* Gazette, have TEN POUNDS Reward for each.
DRURY GEE.

STOLEN out of the Subſcriber's Pocket, on *Monday* the 16th Inſtant, at *Dinwiddie* Courthouſe, a RED MORROCCO POCKET BOOK, containing, in Caſh, one Five Pound Bill, three Forty Shilling Bills, two Twenty Shilling Ditto, and ſeveral Fifteenths; likewiſe a Bond of *Robert* and *Thomas Bolling Munford*, for a Hundred and ſixty five Pounds, payable the 20th of *April*; alſo a Bond of mine to *Irby Bracey*, for thirty eight Pounds ten Shillings, which is not cancelled, though paid. All Perſons are hereby cautioned not to take an Aſſignment of the ſaid Bond; and whoever will return the ſaid Pocket Book, with the above Contents, ſhall have FIVE POUNDS Reward, and no Queſtions aſked. I will give TEN POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief.
FRANCIS DABNEY.

TAKEN up, in *Lunenburg*, a BAY HORSE about thirteen Hands high, with a Slit in each Ear, a Star in his Forehead, a Snip on his Noſe, ſundry Saddle Spots, and white hind Feet. He is eight Years old this Spring, and is branded on the near Buttock, very obſcurely, reſembling X. He paces a little, and trots. Poſted, and appraiſed to forty five Shillings.
1 JAMES CRAIG.

PRINCE EDWARD, *March* 20, 1772.

ALL Perſons who have any Demands againſt me, on Account of the Eſtate of *Robert Walton*, deceaſed, late of *Cumberland* County, are hereby requeſted to make them known by the laſt Day of *August* next, as on that Day I purpoſe to ſell, to the higheſt Bidder, all my Lands, ſundry back LANDS belonging to the ſaid Eſtate, in order to diſcharge all Demands that may then appear againſt it, and that my Executorſhip may be finally cloſed and diſcharged.
GEORGE WALTON, Executor.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 25, 1772.

THE Meeting of the Subſcribers to the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Clergymen will be held on *Saturday* the 2d of *May* next. The Preachers appointed for the Day following are the Reverend Mr. MAURY in the Morning, and the Reverend WILLIAM BLAND in the Afternoon. The Treaſurer and Truſtees for the preſent Year are the Reverend Meſſieurs JOHN CAMM, ROBERT BARRET, THOMAS PRICE, ALEXANDER CRUDEN, SAMUEL KLUG, WILLIAM DUNLAP, and PRICE DAVIS.
JACOB BRUCE, Clerk.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 26, 1772.

CUTHBERT HUBBARD begs Leave to inform his Cuſtomers, and others, that his Houſe, near the College (with good Stables and Proviſion for Horſes) is well accommodated for all Gentlemen who may pleaſe to indulge him with their Favours.

He hopes thoſe who are indebted to him will pay off their Accounts the enſuing *April* Court, as well to enable him to comply with his Engagements as to give the Satisfaction he wiſhes.

THE Weather ſetting in very bad on the third Day of the Sale of Mr. *Benjamin Grymes*'s Eſtate (before advertiſed by his Truſtees) prevented the Whole from being ſold, this is to give Notice that on the fourth *Monday* in *May* next, being Fair Day, will be ſold, in *Fredericksburg*, on Credit till the 25th of *April* 1773, between twenty and thirty SLAVES, a Tract of LAND, containing two Thouſand Acres, near *Lewis*'s Bridge, which will be ſold altogether, or in Parcels, as can be agreed on at the Sale; alſo a Tract, containing ſixteen Hundred Acres, adjoining *Recovery* Furnace Tract, a BRIG about one Hundred Tuns Burthen, ſeveral WAGGONS, CARTS, and their GEER, ſundry BEDS and other HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, as well as all the BOOKS, and every Thing elſe belonging to the Eſtate of the ſaid *Grymes*. Five per Cent. Diſcount will be allowed for ready Money, and all Bonds not diſcharged at the Time they become due to bear Intereſt from their Dates.
JOHN TAYLOE,
3 FRANCIS THORNTON, } Truſtees.
WILLIAM FITZHUGH,

To be LET *to the loweſt Undertaker, at* Urbanna, *on* Monday *the* 13*th of* April,

THE BUILDING of a BRICK CHURCH in the upper Part of *Chriſt Church* Pariſh, *Middleſex*. A conſiderable Sum of Money will be paid the Undertaker ſome Time this Summer.
RALPH WORMELEY, Junior, }
JAMES GREGORIE, } Churchwardens.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, in *Botetourt* County, a likely Negro Fellow named PETER, near ſix Feet high, had on, when he went away, a Blanket Coat, a Negro Cotton Jacket, a Bearſkin great Coat, Leather Breeches, and Boots; he ſtole a bald Eagle HORSE, with a white Mane and Tail, and is ſuppoſed to be gone towards *Carolina*. I will give THREE POUNDS Reward for ſecuring the Fellow in any of his Majeſty's Jails, and TWENTY SHILLINGS for the Horſe.
JOHN NEALLIE.

TAKEN up, in *Prince George*, a ſorrel HORSE about five Years old this Spring, four Feet ſix or ſeven Inches high, with a Switch Tail and Half roach'd Mane, a few white Hairs in his Forehead, his Back and Buttocks intermixed with white Hairs, but has no perceivable Brand. Poſted, and appraiſed to ſeven Pounds ten Shillings.
BENJAMIN HARRISON.

TAKEN up, in *Halifax*, a ſorrel MARE about four Feet ſix or ſeven Inches high, with a Star in her Forehead, a large Saddle Spot on her Withers, and a large Scar on her near Leg, which appears to have been done by a Rope, but has no perceivable Brand. Poſted, and appraiſed to ten Pounds.
NASH GLIDEWELL.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND, well ſituated, lying on *Eaſt* River, in *Gloceſter* County, containing ſix Hundred Acres, with ſeveral Improvements. The Terms may be known by applying to me, near the Premiſes.
4 HENRY WHITING.

STOLEN, or STRAYED, from *Elk* Iſland, in *Goochland*, laſt *June*, after the Freſh, a large young ſorrel MARE, branded JW; alſo a bay MARE about three Years old, and two Iron gray COLTS, neither dockt nor branded. Whoever brings them to me ſhall have FOUR POUNDS Reward, or TWENTY SHILLINGS for each, beſides reaſonable Charges.
4 JAMES AUSTIN.

For SALE,

THE following Tracts of LAND, in *Pittſylvania*, namely, four Hundred Acres on *Baniſter* River, ſeven Hundred and ſeventy on *Beaver* Creek, three Hundred and forty five on *Burch*'s Creek, three Hundred and eighty on *Leatherwood*, and four Hundred on *Snow* Creek. Theſe Lands were formerly the Property of Mr. *Samuel Gordon*, deceaſed. The Price, and Time of Payment, may be known by applying to me in *Peterſburg*.
Tf JERMAN BAKER.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from the Subſcriber, ſome Time in *December* laſt, a bright bay HORSE about four Feet ſeven or eight Inches high, eight or nine Years old, paces very little, trots and gallops, has a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, and is branded on the near Buttock cL in a Piece. As I underſtand he was bred by *Charles Lewis*, at *Buck* Iſland, *Albemarle* County, he may have made that Way. Whoever delivers him to *Andrew Chalmer*, in *Richmond* Town, or to the Subſcriber, in *Amherſt*, ſhall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward, and FIVE POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief.
Tf THOMAS LUMPKIN.

To be SOLD, *or* RENTED *for a Term of Years, and entered upon the* 1*ſt of* March,

A COMMODIOUS well built STORE in the Town of *Peterſburg*, adjoining the Tobacco Warehouſes, three Stories high, with a good Room fronting the Main Street, four good Rooms with Fireplaces, and a Granary, with a Cellar that will hold ſixty Hogſheads; alſo a Warehouſe forty Feet by twenty, built laſt Year, Stable, and Kitchen that is alſo new. The Lot is well incloſed, and the Whole is in good Repair. For Terms apply to *Richard Lamb*, on the Premiſes, or to the Subſcriber, in *Norfolk*.
Tf JOHN GREENWOOD.

JAMES HALDANE, COPPER SMITH *and* BRASS FOUNDER *from* Philadelphia, *in* Church *Street, near the Church*, Norfolk,

MAKES and ſells all Sorts of COPPER and BRASS WORK, namely, Stills, Brewing Coppers, Sugar Boilers, Fullers and Hatters Coppers, Capuchin Plate Warmers, Tea Kitchens, all Sorts of Ship, Fiſh, and Waſh Kettles, Stew Pans, *Dutch* Ovens, Tea Kettles, Saucepans, Coffee and Chocolate Pots, Braſs Mill Work, Furniture for Coach and Chair Harneſs, Fenders, Andirons, Candleſticks, Cocks, &c. at the moſt reaſonable Rates. Alſo tins and mends all Sorts of old Copper and Braſs Kitchen Work, and gives the beſt Prices for old Copper, Braſs, Pewter, or Lead.

*** All Orders from the Country will be punctually attended to.
N. B. *He deals for Caſh, or Country Product.*

☞ Thoſe who have old Braſs, Copper, Pewter, or Lead, to diſpoſe of, are deſired to apply to Mr. *Joſeph Kidd*, in *Williamſburg*, or to Mr. *M'Cue*, in *Hampton*, who will receive it for me, and pay them the Value; they will likewiſe receive old Work to be repaired.

Six Thouſand three Hundred Acres of LAND *to be ſold at* Frederick *Town, on* Thurſday *the* 28*th of* May *next*.

BY Virtue of an Act of Aſſembly of the Province of *Maryland*, empowering the Executors of Colonel *Thomas Colvill* to grant Deeds to Mr. *John Semple*, his Heirs or Aſſigns, for a certain Tract of LAND called *Merryland*, in *Frederick* County, and Province aforeſaid, containing ſix Thouſand three Hundred Acres, we the Subſcribers, being Aſſigns of the ſaid *Semple*, and having received from the Executors of Colonel *Colvill* ſufficient Deeds for the Land aforeſaid, do hereby undertake to diſpoſe of the ſame, at the Time and Place above mentioned.

It is laid off in Lots, in the moſt advantageous Manner, ſo that only one of them will make one, two, or three good Settlements, as will appear by the Plat, a Copy of which may be ſeen at the Coffeehouſes of *Philadelphia*, *Baltimore*, and *Annapolis*, in the Hands of *Cumberland Wilſon* at *Dumfries*, *Adam Stewart* at *George* Town, and *Charles Beatty* at *Frederick* Town, who will direct thoſe deſirous of ſeeing the Land to a Perſon acquainted with the Boundaries, on or near the Premiſes, who will ſhow them the ſame; but as we intend to meet on the Spot ourſelves, a few Days before the Sale, in Order to run the Lines, &c. thoſe inclinable to purchaſe will have an Opportunity of viewing it with us, by attending from *Monday* the 25th of *May* till the 28th, being the Day of Sale.

This Land is very ſuitable for Planting or Farming, being well watered and timbered, no Settlement having ever been made on it, and is a very good Soil. It lies along the Banks of *Potowmack* River, adjoining it for a conſiderable Way, near to *Harper*'s Ferry, the main Road from which to *Frederick* Town (a very flouriſhing, populous Place) runs through it, from which Place it is only diſtant about nine Miles, from *George* Town, the Seaport of the County, forty five Miles, and from *Baltimore* about ſixty five, at each of which Places a conſtant and ready Market may be found for all Kinds of Produce.

Its Situation on *Potowmack* River muſt be of conſiderable Advantage to it, and in Time may add immenſely to its Value, when the Navigation is opened, which may be done, without any great Difficulty, for a conſiderable Diſtance, there being at preſent a tolerable Navigation both below and above, it lying near the *Shenando* Falls, from whence, up to *Fort Cumberland*, a Hundred and ten Miles, Battoes now frequently paſs, and downwards, to the *Seneca* Falls, twenty five Miles, which is within twenty Miles of *George* Town.

It will be ſold in ſeparate Lots, or altogether, for Sterling or current Money, as may beſt ſuit the Purchaſers; one Third to be paid down at the Sale, another Third payable in twelve Months, and the other in two Years, on giving Bond and Security, with Intereſt till paid. A moſt undoubted Title will be made the Purchaſers.
ADAM STEWART.
17 THOMAS MONTGOMERIE.
CUMBERLAND WILSON.

GOOCHLAND, *January* 13, 1772.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, ſome Time ago, a likely Negro Man named SUBA, talks but indifferent *Engliſh*, and ſquints pretty much. He ran away twice before, was once apprehended at *Hobb's Hole*, and another Time at *Eſſex* Courthouſe, and is now ſuppoſed either to be in that Part of the Country or lurking about *Mattox* Warehouſe, as he once lived there with Mr. *Archibald Brice*. I will give FIVE POUNDS for taking him up, and SIXPENCE a Mile for conveying him to me from the Place where he may be apprehended; and in Caſe it ſhould be inconvenient to bring him to me, I will give the above Reward for ſecuring him in the Jail of the County where he is taken.
Tf JOHN BOLLING.

WARRASQUEAK Bay, *November* 18, 1771.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, in *Iſle of Wight*, a Negro named JACK, about five and thirty Years of Age, five Feet ten Inches high, a ſlim, clean made, talkative, artful, and very ſaucy Fellow. Alſo a Negro Woman named VENUS, thirty two Years old, five Feet four Inches high, ſtout made, very ſmooth tongued, and has been five Years accuſtomed to the Houſe. They worked in the *Diſmal Swamp* about two Years, under Mr. *John Waſhington*, and carried with them ſeveral different Kinds of Apparel. Whoever delivers the ſaid Negroes to me, or ſecures them ſo that I may get them, ſhall have a Reward of FORTY SHILLINGS for each.
Tf NATHANIEL BURWELL.

WILLIAMSBURG, *December* 19, 1771.

WHEREAS the Revenues of the College, unleſs more Care and Exactneſs be uſed in the Collection of them, cannot continue equal to the Expenſes; and whereas a conſiderable Amount is due to the College, which ariſes from ſmall Sums eaſy to be paid by each individual Debtor, all Perſons concerned are therefore deſired to take Notice of the following Regulations, paſſed at a late Meeting of the Preſident and Maſters:

If any Perſon who owes Money to the College on Bond does not either pay off all the Intereſt, that is or ſhall be due, on or before the 10th of *May* next, or in the mean Time give a new Bond, with approved Security, for the whole Debt, both Principal and Intereſt, his Bond ſhall be put into a Lawyer's Hand on the ſaid 10th of *May*, with Orders to bring Suit, and obtain Satisfaction for it as ſpeedily as the Forms of Law will permit. If, after the ſaid 10th of *May*, the Intereſt due on any Bond be not regularly paid, at the Expiration of each Year, the Bond ſhall be put in Suit without farther Notice or Delay.

A ſalutary Order of the Viſiters and Governours, directing every Boarder, on his Admiſſion into the College, to pay for ſix Months Board in Advance, is evaded and rendered nugatory if the like Sum be not paid per Advance by every Boarder at the End of each Half Year. All, therefore, who are in Arrears for Board, are required to diſcharge them by the ſaid 10th of *May*. On Failure, the Boarder ſhall be diſmiſſed from the College until the Accounts againſt him be diſcharged, or recovered by Suit. And after the 10th of *May* next, if Payment for Board in Advance, as above mentioned, be neglected, the Boarder ſhall not be ſuffered to continue in the College for more than one Month after ſuch Neglect, but ſhall, in that Time, be ſent away with his Account, and ſhall not be received again till it be diſcharged.

All Surveyors who have not ſettled with the Burſar of the College, for all their publick and private Surveys ſince the General Court in *April* laſt, are required to ſettle with him before the 10th of *May* next, under the Penalty of being ſuperſeded, and having their Bonds ſued. If among theſe Surveyors there be any from whom Nothing is due to the College it is demanded of them, under the ſame Penalty, to tranſmit to the Burſar atteſted Declarations of there being Nothing due from them to the College. And, after the 10th of *May* next, if any Surveyor ſhall omit ſending atteſted Accounts or Declarations (as above ſpecified) annually, he ſhall be ſuperſeded, and have his Bond ſued.

That this Advertiſement may not be treated with that Contempt which ſeveral Notices of the like Kind have met with, and that no Body may hereafter plead Want of due Information concerning the Premiſes, this Advertiſement is to be printed weekly in the Gazette until the 10th of *May* next enſuing. By Order of the Preſident and Maſters.
ROBERT MILLER, Burſar.

To be LET *on* LEASE,

A VERY large and commodious HOUSE in the Town of *Peterſburg*, built for a Tavern, and well fitted for that Buſineſs; it is two Stories high, has a Number of very convenient Lodging Rooms, and large and ſmall Rooms for the Entertainment of Gueſts. Any Perſon qualified for the Buſineſs of a Tavern Keeper, with a proper Capital, may find this as advantageous a Situation as any on the Continent. Apply to the Subſcriber, who lives on the Premiſes.
Tf THOMAS EGLETON.

For SALE,

THE LAND whereon I live, in *Middleſex*, containing about two Thouſand two Hundred Acres, in good Order for Cropping, with Orchards and Buildings equal to any in the Colony; alſo thirteen Hundred Acres on the River *Piankatank*, in the County of *Gloceſter*, with a Mill, and good Orchards. The Stocks, which are very large, may be had with the Lands. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe may know the Terms by applying to
Tf AUGUSTINE SMITH.

ALL Perſons may be ſupplied with this PAPER at 12*ſ.* 6*d.* a Year, and have ADVERTISEMENTS (of a moderate Length) inſerted in it for 3*ſ.* the firſt Week, and 2*ſ.* each Week after.——*** All Sorts of PRINTING WORK done at this Office in the neateſt Manner, with Care and Expedition.